



BEAR RIVER BULLETIN

Bear River Bulletin

September/October 2016

Perfect Attendance Check List

K-12 Students

- Go to School Monday through Friday

4th-12th Students

- Go To school Monday through Friday
- Keep GPA 3.5 or better

BACK
TO
SCHOOL

More Information & guidelines below on
Bear River Perfect Attendance Policy



Perfect Attendance Policy

Did you go to school everyday in the month?

Q: What is the Monthly Benefit?

A: Bear River Children is school K-12 will receive two movie tickets and \$10 for snacks for having perfect attendance for a full month of school

Q: How am I eligible for the Monthly Benefit?

- Be an enrolled Bear River Member
- Go to school every day
- Follow School attendance Policy

Q: How do I get the Monthly Benefit?

- Parents/Guardians follow all school policies of the school
- Parent/Guardian provide Youth Program Coordinator perfect attendance verification from the school every month
- All absences must be excused and require documentation
- Have no absences unless excused per policy guidelines

Q: When is the Monthly Benefit Deadline?

- End of Each Month

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Employment

Bear River Band

- Economic Development Director
- Facilities Supervisor
- Recreation Center Manager
- Recreation Center Guest Services Manager
- Recreation Center Maintenance Worker
- Revenue Auditor
- Tobacco Traders Cashier/Barista
- Tribal Case Manager/Elder Coordinator
- Tribal Social Worker

Bear River Casino Hotel

- Assistant Marketing Director
- Bartender
- Bear River Express Cashier
- Bonus Pit Dealer
- Busser
- Casino Service Rep
- Experienced Table Games Dealer
- Front Desk Agent
- Guest Room Attendant
- Line Cook
- Night Auditor
- Player Dev. Host
- Porter
- Pump & Play Cashier
- Security Officer
- Security Supervisor
- Sous Chef
- Transportation Driver

Gaming Agency

- Surveillance Officer

New Hires

ENR Department

My name is Amanda Lee, I am a new employee here and I will be serving as the Temporary Water Quality/ GIS Specialist.

I come from southern California although I have been living off and on in Humboldt County for six years, going to school and working for different agencies in the natural resources field. I graduated from Humboldt State University in 2014 with a degree in Environmental Science. Since then, I have been fortunate to work on a variety of projects in ecological restoration, park stewardship, forestry, and fisheries.

I recently got married this past June and I'm happy to be putting down roots in such a beautiful place with natural and cultural richness. I am passionate about watershed stewardship and conserving native biodiversity and I hope to continue a career path where I can help protect and restore aquatic ecosystems.

I am excited to be temporarily working for the Environmental Department here at Bear River to learn more about renewable energy and sustainability. In my time here I hope to leave a positive impact on our watershed by contributing to low impact development projects that will improve water quality.

Social Services Department

Liana Whitley

Social Service Director

Josefina Cortez

Tribal Youth Service Coordinator

Nora Montoya

Tribal Social Worker

For more information on employment please check out the website at www.bearrivercasinohotel.com or contact Human Resources Department at (707) 733-1900.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Loleta Cheese

There are a few developments in the Loleta bankruptcy; the most significant change is that the Creditors Committee, which theoretically represents all the unsecured creditors, has officially objected to Loleta's most recent plan of reorganization. After over a year of working with Laffranchi and Loleta's counsel, the Committee has finally reached the same conclusion we did long ago. The Committee objects on the grounds Laffranchi didn't disclose insider relationships, failed to pay taxes and insurance, and never explained a number of financial transactions. Therefore, the Committee is objecting to confirmation of the plan. Nilsen Feed & Grain Company is joining in with the objection, to give it greater weight. There is also still the pending plan. We have a ballot to cast for or against the plan. Since the plan is clearly just a mechanism for Laffranchi to further drain money out of Loleta, we will be voting against the plan. The fall out of all this is not certain yet. The court will probably order Loleta sold, and a Trustee assigned to track down improper transfers. We won't know how much we stand to recover until after the Trustee reports on the value of the Loleta enterprise.

Tribal Loans

There are Seventy five (75) active loans at this time. Nine (9) loans are in default. The Tribe has collected \$90,239 in interest and fees through June 2016. Reminder loans will not be processed in months that per-capita is distributed. (March, June, September, December) Also when applying for loans and to speed the process up please make sure you fill out the application completely and provide complete proof of income that you are claiming.

UltraGreen

During the past several years, Ultra Green Packaging, INC. has experienced significant operational issues that have negatively impacted the ability to achieve plan. They continue to see traction in the marketplace for their products, but are constrained by debt obligations and decisions made years ago. All of this has, and continues to require, significant Management and Board attention. They have once again decided to restructure the Company. Once fully effected, the restructured Company will be able to continue to operate with a significantly reduced debt load. In fact, if all proceeds as planned, they will eliminate in excess of \$14 million in debt and, put the Company in a position to potentially raise new capital and/or secure limited bank financing. They have a number of growth options available to them. Among the

promising options are recent inroads experienced at a number of large supermarket chains. Unfortunately, they are not able to pursue these prospects in earnest as they need to allocate resources to their debt obligations and are capital constrained. They need to undertake the proposed restructuring efforts in order to continue in business and pursue these and other exciting opportunities. Fortunately, they feel that their products and niche in the market position them to eventually capitalize on the opportunities available to them. So, despite some of the headwinds the Company faces, they believe they have a healthy foundation in their business for the future. While substantial progress has been made, it is apparent that a great deal still needs to be done.

20/20 Genesystems

Update on this is attached to this report.

Billboard

April rental income	\$5,275
May rental income	\$5,275
June rental income	\$5,150

There continues to be strong interest in billboard advertising from the business community and Bear River expects to continue to fill the advertising spots on a month to month basis.

611 I street

This property continues to perform well with long term tenants Humboldt County Association of Governments and Manhard Consulting and Engineering as tenants on long term leases. We will continue to explore opportunities to keep our tenants long term and are exploring the possibility of acquiring additional commercial real estate to accommodate the growth needs and demands of Manhard Consulting. This property has earned us \$18,349 through the 2nd quarter.

Tobacco Traders

The Bear River Tobacco Traders business continues its improvement. Net sales have continued to be steady with net sales average for the Second quarter of 2016 coming in at \$131,737 a month with an average of \$4,391 gross sales per day. The business, in addition to contributing indirect costs and covering depreciation and providing tribal member employment, is turning a profit on a monthly basis net of expenses. Nicole and the rest of her staff have done a great job

down there and our gross daily sales are proof of that. This property has earned us \$67,569 through the 2nd quarter.

Economic Development Meeting

I held a meeting on July 20, 2016. We discussed the 2nd quarter of 2016 financials as well as updates on current investments as well as talking about ideas for new projects. Again the turnout for this meeting was very poor. I encourage you to attend the next meeting scheduled for **Wednesday October 26, 2016 at 5pm in Tish-non Community Center**. The Tribe will have close to \$14,000,000 available to look for investment opportunities. I urge you to come forward and help the Tribe make sound decisions with these funds.

Thank you

Dakota McGinnis

Economic Development Director

Tribal Economic Development: 2016	Thru Q2	Budget
Beginning Balance	7,745,204.00	7,745,204.00
RAP Distribution	3,361,390.00	2,871,000.00
Department Expenses	-100,922.00	-107,368.00
611 I St Income 20/20	18,349.00 0.00	-14,798.00 0.00
Ultra Green	35,322.00	25,000.00
Smoke Shop Operations	67,569.00	56,111.00
Tribal Loan Program	16,521.00	15,000.00
Billboard Income	7,380.00	4,136.00
Transfer from Unrestricted		
Ending Balance	11,150,813.00	10,594,285.00



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July 22, 2016

This communication is to apprise all shareholders of the results of the contested voting for Directors at the Company's Annual Shareholder Meeting held on July 13, 2016, the subsequent appointment of Company officers by the new Board of Directors, and the focus of the new Board in the near term on the Company Business Plan.

At the Annual Shareholder Meeting held on July 13, 2016.

The following individuals were elected to serve as Directors of 20/20 by written consent of an absolute majority of all stockholders:

Elected by a majority of all shareholders of the Company:

Richard M. Cohen, MBA (no relation to Jonathan)
John Compton, Ph.D.
Michael Ross, M.D.
He Shen
Jonathan M. Cohen

The continuing Directors who serve on the 7-member Board of the Company's are:

Elected by Series A shareholders:

Christian Apfel, MD, PhD, MBA, Series A Director

Elected by Series A-1 shareholders (Ping-An):

Jiang Zhang, MBA, Ph.D.

At Special Meetings of the Board of Directors July 19, 2016 and July 22, 2016.

At the close of the Annual Shareholder meeting, Interim President and CEO Vladimir Knezevic submitted his resignation from the Company, effective immediately, leaving the Company without Board authorized management. In order to provide continuity of operations, the Board of Directors elected the following individuals to serve as officers of the Company (*for the indicated interim periods*).

John Compton, PhD	Interim Chairman (60 days)
Jonathan M. Cohen	President and Chief Executive Officer (45 days)
Louis A. Bevilacqua	Secretary (45 days)
Richard M. Cohen, MBA	Treasurer (45 days)

Interim appointments were made to provide a reasonable period of stability to enable a thorough review of the Company by the new Board. Permanent appointments are anticipated subsequently.

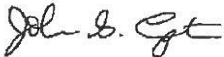
Focus for the near term: During the next 15-45 days, the Board of Directors and CEO will focus on the following matters of major importance to the Company:

- a) The four new Directors, especially, but all Directors as well, will endeavor to become fully knowledgeable about the status of the Company, its finances and operations.
- b) Shareholder concerns to improve communication and Board oversight of the Company will be addressed.
- c) **Importantly**, Mr. Cohen has agreed to provide a business plan within the next several weeks, and the Board will review it with a strong focus on how to move 20/20 towards profitability and to maximize your shareholder value. This will include considerations of new commercialization strategies of our assets that were discussed between the previous chairman of the Board, Joel Kanter, and Jonathan Cohen.

We will be providing additional information on 20/20 as we move forward over the next months.

We thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



John G. Compton
Interim Chairman
Board of Directors
johncompton@me.com



Jonathan M. Cohen
President & CEO
jcohen@2020gene.com



Reception Corner

This note is to let you know about how my daily work is going. All employees are trying to keep the office in a professional manner and this formula does keep the air clear and peaceful.

All employees are dressed neat in appearance and ready for work sometimes they are swamped with duties and cannot answer the phone all the time.

All employees are doing an exceptional job and I commend them.

We have lots of fliers up showing all activities that are coming up for you to attend such as California Indian Days on September 17th. Save your moola so you can purchase something nice for that special someone or Christmas present or a birthday, whatever it may be it, it may even be a frybread.

Please keep yourself posted of events happening so you don't miss out.

Margaret Thomas
Receptionist

ENR Department

The Environmental and Natural Resources Department still offers free Electronic Waste recycling. Feel free to drop off your e-waste at the ENR department on the pallets next to the big storage containers, located down the long driveway off Singley Hill Rd. If you would like your e-waste picked up you may call Kayla San Filippo (707) 733-1900 x119. Please no refrigerators unless the Freon has been removed. If you have any questions about what exactly qualifies as e-waste, please call! We accept paint and oil, but other household hazardous wastes such as freon, anti-freeze, and transmission fluid are not accepted. You may call Humboldt Waste Management Authority (707) 441-2005 for instructions on how you may dispose of these other types of household hazardous wastes.

Pet vouchers for vaccination and spay & neuter are still available as well. These vouchers can be used at Riverwalk Veterinary, Ferndale Veterinary, or Fortuna Veterinary. Please call Kayla San Filippo at (707) 733-1900 ext 119 for questions or stop by the ENR office to pick one up.

A Climate Action Plan was recently completed for the Rancheria and ancestral lands; the plan outlines areas that will be affected by Climate Change and addresses actions for each problem. A few of the expected impacts include increased danger to salmon due to warming temperatures (hence warmer rivers) as well as to oysters, clams, and mussels due to the acidification of the ocean which effects shelled sea creatures' ability to form shells.

If you are interested in becoming involved in a community based Emergency Response Group, than please contact Kayla (*contact info below*) and I will put you in contact with others interested. The group would help fellow neighbors after an emergency or disaster and coordinate with the tribal government's Incident Response Team to mobilize resources.

Our department recently created a rain garden near the sweat lodge. The purpose of this is to capture rain runoff in a low lying area—the low area is then planted and thrives in the moist conditions during the winter and spring. Added benefits include the medicinal and edible qualities of the native plant species we planted.

The ENR department also had a youth worker for the month of July, the youth worker helped create the rain garden, learned how to take water samples from the wetland, helped identify native vs. invasive plant species, learned how to do data entry, and completed online courses on environmental ethics and enforcement.

Corinne Alton, Wiyot Tribe Member from Table Bluff Reservation, is interning in the ENR department through AmeriCorps' Environmental Stewards program. Corinne recently completed a water resources technician training funded through the BIA.

Contact info: Kayla San Filippo, ENR Assistant (707) 733-1900 x119 kaylasanfilippo@brb-nsn.gov

EPA Department

Invasive plants are species that are non-native to an area and are considered harmful to the ecosystem. Many invasive plants were introduced from Europe and other continents as ornamentals or were transported for livestock. Today, these plants are often spread by tires, equipment, and animal fur and waste. These plants capitalize on disturbed areas such as roadsides and construction sites and can grow very fast. Invasive plants are problematic because they can take over large areas and crowd out native plants that provide food and habitat for wildlife. When one species of plant dominates an entire area, it can become a monoculture which is vulnerable to disease, fire and pest outbreaks because there isn't a diverse mix of species to resist and survive different types of disturbances. Some of the common invasive species we have here at Bear River are:



Cirsium vulgare,

Common name: Bull Thistle

Characterized by purple flowers and spiny leaves

Image ©2010 Lee Dittmann



Rubus armeniacus

Common name: Himalayan Blackberry

Generally has 5 leaflets and a 5-angled stem with stout prickles

Image ©2013 Debra L. Cook



Rumex acetosella

Common name: Sheep Sorrel

Has sword-shaped leaves and red flowers and seeds

Image ©2005 Ben Legler



Daucus carota

Common name: Queen Anne's

Lace

White umbel flowers and carrot-like leaves

How you can help prevent the spread and growth of invasive weeds at home:

- If you are planting a garden, choose natives or plants that are not able to escape and naturalize in the wild.
Calscape.cnps.org is a good resource for finding native plants to grow, or visit a local native plant nursery.
- Avoid leaving bare soil areas in your yard.
- Mulch your garden, especially in areas you water often. Mulch will smother the weeds, preventing them from getting sunlight. It also will keep soil moist for your desired garden plants.
- Identify and remove invasive from your yard. If you don't have time to dig them up, it can be as easy as clipping the seed heads and throwing them away.

EPA Department

Monitoring our wetlands allows us to identify a baseline for our water quality, some of the parameters we use to test our wetland waters are:

Dissolved Oxygen: Which serves as an indicator of the biological health of a water body. If more oxygen is consumed than produced, and oxygen levels drop below their natural levels, some sensitive animals may weaken, move away, or die.

E. Coli and enterococci: Levels are used to indicate the presence of fecal material in drinking and recreational waters. Both indicate the possible presence of disease-causing bacteria, viruses, and protozoans. The presence of pathogens can cause cloudy water, unpleasant odors, and decreased levels of dissolved oxygen.

Turbidity: A measure of the clarity of a water body, the amount of suspended particles, and is related to erosion and sedimentation which impacts streams and lakes. It can affect the oxygen content and light penetration of the water while sedimentation can change the physical structure of habitats, stress organisms within the water body, and smother macroinvertebrates.

Total Nitrogen: Essential for plants and animals, but excess nitrogen in the water way can lead to low levels of dissolved oxygen and negatively alter various plant life and organisms. There are 3 forms of nitrogen commonly measured in water bodies (ammonia, nitrates, and nitrites), total nitrogen is the sum of total organic and reduced (Kjedahl) nitrogen, ammonia, and nitrate-nitrite.

Total Phosphorus: Is an essential nutrient for plants and animals, and is naturally limited in most fresh water systems because it is not as abundant as carbon or nitrogen. Introducing a small amount of additional phosphorous can have negative effects on water quality including: algae blooms, accelerated plant growth, and low dissolved oxygen from the decomposition of additional vegetation.

pH: A measurement of acidity or alkalinity and affects many chemical and biological processes in a water body. pH measures hydrogen ions within a solution. High pH can mean a reduction of the diversity within a stream due to stress on the physiological systems of most aquatic organisms and a reduction in reproduction. Low pH can cause toxic conditions for aquatic life by allowing toxic elements and compounds to become mobile.

Delanie Farnham

Environmental & Natural Resources

Water Quality & GIS Specialist

Social Services Program Coordinator

Dear Tribal Member,

I would like to start by thanking each of you for all the patience and understanding given to me during this past month, it is a busy season preparing for back to school backpacks and school clothing requests. I sincerely appreciate each one of you for understanding me during this busy months and for patiently waiting for my returned call.

Social Services Program Coordinator will now have **NEW** hours!!!

WALK IN HOURS will be from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

If you need assistance and are not able to make it during the walk in hours, you can make an appointment by calling Elizabeth or the front desk receptionist.

Social Services Benefit program office hours are now 10-4 Monday-Friday. Tribal members can make appointments outside of office hours during that time.

If you have an emergency outside of the new walk-in hours, any Social Services employee that is on-site will do their best to assist you.

Currently we have **608** enrolled tribal members of the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria. In order to better serve all **608** tribal members, and to process service request applications in a timely manner, we came up with new walk-in hours for the Social Services Program Coordinator.

As we are already in September, I would like to remind everyone that the holidays are quickly approaching. Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria and Northern California Indian Development Council would like to remind and encourage all of our low-income tribal elders and local Humboldt County tribal families to please submit a Service Request Form application to apply for the holiday food programs. If you could benefit from the 2016 holiday food assistance programs please fill out a service request form. This holiday food assistance program was developed years ago with the purpose to help reduce barriers to family stability and strengthen family supportive environments.

Please make sure to submit your fully completed application with current phone number/contact information to reach you. To help facilitate the process, please use the enclosed a Service Request Form. For additional information refer to page 2 of the application.

Our goal is to make the process of delivering services to tribal members and their families as easy as possible within the confines of the Bear River Band Policies and Procedure set by Tribal Council. We welcome your feedback about ways we can help to facilitate the process to better serve you as a tribal member.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Varelas

Social Services Program Coordinator

All Service Request Form Applications and Required Documents must be submitted to:

Elizabeth Varelas, Social Services Program Coordinator

Phone: (707)733-1900 ext. 209 **Fax:** (707) 733-1923

Email: elizabethvarelas@brb-nsn.gov

Mailing Address: 266 Keisner Road , Loleta, CA. 95551-9707

Youth Service Coordinator

Greetings Tribal Community,

My name is Josefina Cortez, and I am honored to announce that I am your new Tribal Youth Services Coordinator. I recently worked as your Food Services Supervisor here at the Tish Non Community Center. I have worked at Bear River Rancheria for 5 years and 3 months, within those 5 years I have brought many youth nutrition programs to our Tribe. My number one goal is our children and their wellbeing. I look forward to working with all of our community youth and working alongside them to bring out the absolute best in them.

There are many things I have planned and are already working on. I am in the beginning stages of creating a policy solely for the Youth Services Program, as well as procedures, rules, and to include all aspects of what the Youth Services Program should be and who it is intended for.

If you are familiar with the Tish Non Community Center i.e. "Elders Hall", this will now be the youth/teen center, the middle room will be storage for all youth activities, and the old sheriff's office will now be the office of the Youth Coordinator. I invite you all to stop by and meet me if you have not already.

I have a lot of things planned, but I need the input of the community youth and parents. From start to finish I would like nothing more than the youth to be actively participating in all aspects of the program. From decorating the youth/teen center, layout of the center, to all activities planned, and how we can make this a great program. Please keep in mind that this program is for you, so above all you should have a part in deciding what is going to work best for you, and I am all ears.

I look forward to working and meeting with each and every one of you, and making this program a great one.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions and/or concerns @ (707)733-1900 EXT. 335
Or at (707)502-4994 Office Hours are between the hours of 8:00AM and 4:00 PM.

Respectfully,
Josefina Cortez
Tribal Youth Services Coordinator

Back to School

Perfect Attendance Policy Continue

Did you go to school everyday for the entire school year?

Q: What is the Benefit?

A: Bear River Children is school K-12 will receive incentives according to the following schedule:

K-3	\$125.00
4-8	\$175.00
9-12	\$250.00

Q: How am I eligible for the Annual Benefit?

- Be an enrolled Bear River Member
- Go to school every day for the entire School year
- Follow School attendance Policy

Q: How do I get the Annual Benefit?

- Parents/Guardians follow all school policies of the school
- Parent/Guardian provide Youth Program Coordinator perfect attendance verification from the school every month
- All absences must be excused and require documentation
- Have no more than 3 excused absences per school year

Q: When is the Annual Benefit Deadline?

- End of School Year by July 1st

Q: What is excellence school performance?

Bear River children that obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or better receive a performance incentive as follows:

4-8	\$125.00
9-12	\$250.00

Q: When is the Annual Benefit Deadline?

- End of School Year by July 1st

Q: What does the Attendance and Grade Performance Incentive Policy Mean?

If you are enrolled in school K-12 and go to school every day of school and not miss more than 3 days in the year and get a GPA of 3.5 you will get an incentive not only every month but at the end of the year.

If you have any questions please check out our website or contact the Youth Service Coordinator.



Back to School

BEAR RIVER RANCHERIA WEEKEND FOOD BAGS WILL BEGIN ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2016.

BAGS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED EVERY FRIDAY WHILE SCHOOL IS IN SESSION.

PARENTS CAN PICK UP, AND TURN IN APPLICATIONS AT TISH NON COMMUNITY CENTER.

BAGS ARE FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN ONLY

CONTACT JOSEFINA
CORTEZ AT (707)
733-1900 EXT. 335

IF YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS OR
CONCERNS
REGARDING THIS
PROGRAM





AFTER SCHOOL SNACKS

BEGINS MONDAY AUGUST 29TH, 2016

FROM 3:00 PM UNTIL 4:00 PM

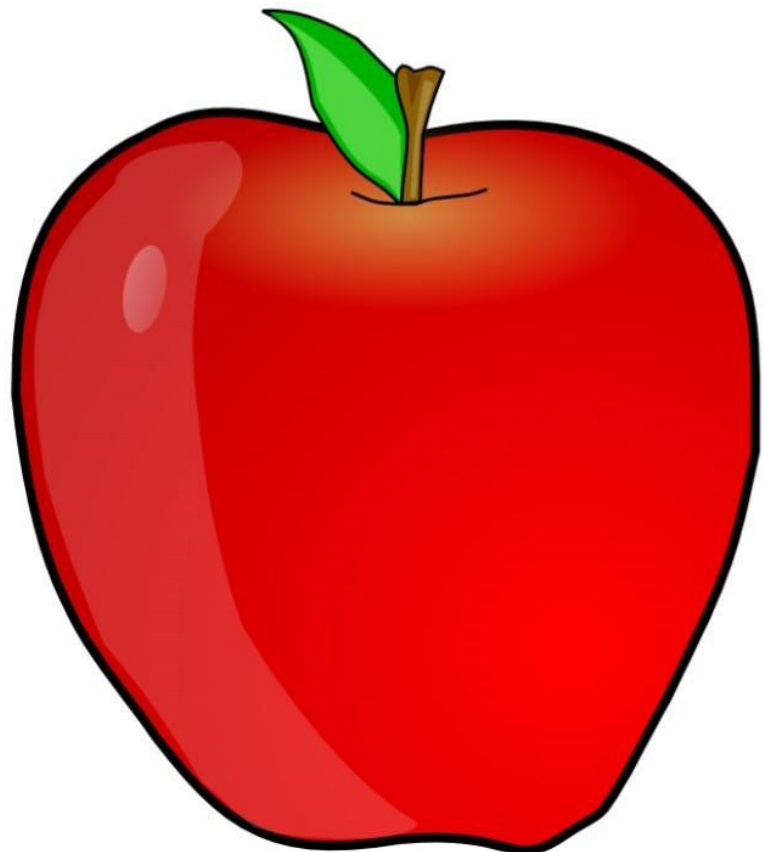
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

(EXCLUDING FEDERAL AND TRIBAL HOLIDAYS)

**LOCATED AT THE TISH
NON COMMUNITY CENTER
266 KEISNER RD.
LOLETA, CA. 95551**

ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

**CONTACT JOSEFINA CORTEZ FOR
ENROLLMENT INFORMATION
(707) 733-1900 ext. 335**



After School Tutoring

Monday through Friday

2 pm to 5 pm

Tish Non Community Center



BEAR RIVER BAND
Of the Rohnerville Rancheria



Bear River Recreation Center

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

CONTACT INFORMATION

266 Keisner Road Loleta CA 95551 * 707-733-1900 ext. 293 * wendellfreeman@brb-nsn.gov

Please feel free to contact the department with any questions or concerns.

Transportation Service Update

The Transportation Department will no longer assist in transporting tribal members to court. All requests for court appointments will be referred to our bus pass program.

BUS PASS PROGRAM

Bus passes are available for qualified tribal members through the Transportation Department. Please contact the department to see how you can get connected!

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES/

The primary role of the Transportation department is to transport tribal members to and from medical appointments. Our services prioritize elders first, children (with parent or guardian) second and all others third.

In addition to providing transportation to medical related appointments the department assists tribal members with other important appointments such as behavior health, social services and AOD.

It is important that tribal members attempting to schedule rides understand that it is their responsibility to contact the department 48 hours in advance of any appointments to check for availability. Last minute requests for transportation may be denied based on availability of drivers and the current schedule.

At the time appointments are scheduled we block out the anticipated time on our schedule to accommodate each appointment. Tribal members that have appointments scheduled with us for a ride must understand that we are only transporting for the appointment you have prearranged. Adding additional stops to a scheduled appointment at the time of the appointment may be denied based on driver availability and the current schedule.

We operate with limited staff and a high demand of priority appointments. Please understand that it is each tribal member's responsibility to plan ahead and that our services are not on demand shuttle service, we are appointment based.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

MEDI-CAL PATIENTS

United Indian Health Services Medi-Cal patients that schedule a ride with the transportation department will now be asked to fill out a patient Release of Information form between Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria and UIHS. The Transportation Department will be requesting 3 specific pieces of information in regard to patients.

1. Request for your medical record number from the clinic
2. Confirmation that you are a Medi-Cal covered patient
3. Confirmation that each appointment we take you to is covered under Medi-Cal

We will never receive information about your appointments or you personally except what is covered in 1-3 above. Your treatment will never be divulged to the tribe.

The purpose of our request is so that the tribe can be reimbursed for our mileage and time to transport you to a Medi-Cal covered appointment. In doing so, we are able to put money back in our pockets for services we are already providing to you.

If you have any questions or concerns about the new Medi-Cal program the tribe is participating in please feel free to contact the Transportation Department.

Tribal Vehicle Auction

The tribe currently has three vehicles for sale. This is the first notice of sale. Bids will be taken through September 30, 2016. The highest bid will be selected the first week of October and the winner of the auction will be notified. All offers must be in writing (email offers are acceptable). All offers must be at or exceed the minimum bid listed with each of the vehicles. If no offer meets or exceeds the minimum bid listed the vehicle/s will be listed to the general public at a higher minimum bid price. Cash only sale. Buyer is responsible for all DMV/smog fees. A brief description of each vehicle is listed below. Photos will be put out on the Bear River Facebook page and will be available via email upon request.

2010 Dodge Caravan. Black. 133,059 miles. Minimum Bid \$3591.

2010 Dodge Caravan. Red. 88,835 miles. Minimum Bid \$4597

2008 Ford Explorer. Silver. 107,000 miles. Minimum Bid \$4476

Tribal Justice News

This is an announcement and update.

As a result of the Tilly Hardwick vs United States of America case re-establishing the Rohnerville Rancheria, the past and present Bear River Band Tribal Councils have strived to strengthen its tribal sovereignty by adopting ordinances, resolutions and policies to address tribal issues throughout the years.

This year on April 25, 2016, the BRB Tribal Council enacted a Judicial Branch Ordinance giving the authority to create a tribal court on the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria.

Currently, work is being done to compile the existing ordinances, resolutions and policies into a Law and Order Code to be in compliance with the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Constitution and Judicial Branch Ordinance.

Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Court will hear civil cases and will utilize the North Coast Tribal Court Coalition for appeals filed in tribal court. The court will be a court of equity where matters are settled by resolving the conflict.

There will be a TRIBAL JUSTICE NEWS column in every publication of your tribal newsletter to update the progress of your court system.

There is a part-time court clerk on staff, hours 8:30-12:30, until the court actually opens for business.

If you have questions, suggestions or comments regarding (examples) how formal the court should be, custom and tradition, criminal jurisdiction, please contact by phone, mail, or fax:

Myrna Rivera, court clerk
Tish Non Community Center
707-733-1900 ext. 321 fax no. 707-733-1719
266 Keisner Road
Loleta, CA 95551



Tribal Council Bear River Tribe

June 21, 2016

Dear Tribal Leaders,

We are Boy Scout Troop 30 from Fortuna. We have been doing Curb Painting as our annual fundraiser for 2015 and now 2016. We have received a permit for the City of Fortuna, to do curbs in the Fortuna area. We have painted some curbs in Ferndale and Loleta, also. We received kudos from Fortuna Fire Dept, Fortuna Police, and other emergency services, for making it easier to find addresses for those that have had their curb painted.

Our fundraising is used to send all of our Troop 30 Boy Scouts to camp each year, where we have to opportunity to earn Merit Badges in various things like Rifle Shooting, Star Gazing and Archery, just to name a few.

We would love to come to the tribal housing and paint house numbers on the curbs, so emergency services can find the addresses easier, too.

We understand that the tribe has 47 units that would need marked. In Fortuna, we charge a donation of \$25 per house. We would like to offer our services to those 47 homes for a total of \$1,000, which would complete our fundraising for this year.

We ask that you consider this offer and provide our troop with this year's camping experience.

We thank you for your consideration and time,

Scout Master Troop 30

Fundraising Leader

Phil Frisbee	Connor Ireland	Jeanna Robledo
	Gregory Stanfield	
	Caleb Harrison	
	Ethan Christie	
	Caden Waugh	
	Aidan Ireland	
	Adam Harrison	
	Dave Gould	
	Hunter Ciarrabellini	



One day this September, four Native elders and a gallant driver with only safe and expeditious travel in mind, journeyed to a faraway land near bridges and water.



Barry and 4H member Lucas Homen with his steer Bolt.

Lucas donates half of his profits to a group that helps special needs children.



Bear River Recreation Center



New Culture Classes Starting September 6th

Tuesday 6th & 20th: Drumming with Bruce Kaye

Every Wednesday: Sammy Gensaw & Jamie Peters

Sammy will be working with the boy's/men on Carving Sticks & Tossels and set of Ingen Cards

Jamie Peters/Marva Jones will be working with girls/women on Regalia making, Traditional Foods Preservation



More Information Contact:

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Also,

Check us out on Facebook: (The Bear River Culture Department)

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Change of Address

Signature (Required) Date

Printed Name as it appears on the Tribal Roll Roll Number Phone Number

I request that my address be changed to the following:

C/O _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Member Signature Required _____

I request that my minor child's address be changed to the following:

Child's name _____ Roll # _____ C/O _____

Relationship _____ Address _____

Member Signature Required _____

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